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Applicants : Sheryl Behar et al.  
Serial No. : 09/469,993      Examiner : J.L. Young  
Filed : December 22, 1999      Art Unit : 3622  
For : **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR AWARDING REBATES BASED  
ON CREDIT CARD USAGE TO CREDIT CARD HOLDERS**

May 5, 2003

PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

Applicants hereby request that the time for responding to the final Office Action mailed November 5, 2002 in the above-referenced patent application be extended for three (3) months pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a). With this extension, the deadline for response is reset to expire on May 5, 2003.

A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being submitted concurrently herewith together with a Reply to Final Office Action.

The fee set in 37 CFR 1.17 for the three-month extension of time at the large entity rate is \$930.00. A check in the amount of \$930.00 covering the extension fee and a

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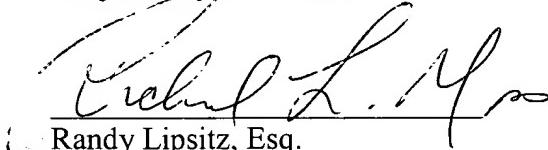
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separate check in the amount of \$750.00 covering the fee for the RCE are enclosed. Please charge any fee deficiency and credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0540.

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